

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL, URBAN AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS**

Wednesday, February 21, 2007

10:30 a.m.

Room 327, House Office Building

Chair Byrum called the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental, Urban and Regional Affairs to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Byrum, Young, Coulouris, Farrah, Johnson, Meadows, Pavlov, Nitz, Meekhof, Opsommer (10/11)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Rep. Griffin (1/11)

The **Chair** announced that each committee member will now have a laptop at their seat to access information that was contained in the blue folders, which will no longer be distributed.

Representative Johnson moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on February 14, 2007. Hearing no objection, the **motion prevailed** with unanimous consent.

Presentations on the final report of the Task Force on Local Government Services and Fiscal Stability were given by the following task force members:

Dr. Eric Scorsone, representing Michigan State University;

Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Association of Counties;

Bill Anderson, representing the Michigan Townships Association; and

Summer Minnick and **Anthony Minghone**, representing the Michigan Municipal League.

Questions and discussion followed each presentation.

Written material was also submitted by **Dr. Scorsone**, **Tom Hickson** and **Summer Minnick**.

Paul Hufnagel, representing the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union, testified on the task force report and answered questions.

Representative Young moved to excuse absent members. Hearing no objection, **Chair Byrum** excused **Representative Griffin**.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **11:37 a.m.**

Representative Barb Byrum, Chair

Jean Hamelin, Committee Clerk
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